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To: FCC

Re: Unsolicited Fax Transmissions

It is extremely important that the FCC re-evaluate the current proposed fax regulations. Many non-for-profit associations communicate valuable education information to their members through fax transmissions.

I am concerned that removing the "established business relationship" qualification from the fax regulations is absolutely bad for business, forcing associations and other companies to obtain the written consent of their own members, clients and industry partners before transmitting any fax that could be interpreted as commercial in nature; and that the association community has already raised numerous concerns about the new regulations that remain a subject of speculation, including exactly which transmissions the FCC would interpret as commercial in nature, whether written consent to a national association would extend to chapter or affiliate faxes, and whether a written consent form would expire with membership, for example.

Please make it more clear for non-profit associations to communicate with its members through fax transmissions.

Sincerely,

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